



Summer 2019

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to you all.



Sandy McAllen & Abbott (left)

(Right) Some Members of the Whanganui Group who had a get together for the Canine Friends Founder's Day in May this year.



Sandy McAllen is the Liaison Officer for the Whanganui Area of Canine Friends Pet Therapy and was elected to the National Committee in July of this year. She is responsible for her members and organizes for them to visit Rest Homes, Hospitals, Schools and to attend Social Functions. Sandy has written her amazing story featured on Page 3 which, I am sure, you will find very interesting. Thank you Sandy. Editor



Prince Caspian (Cass), the Canine Friends Pet Therapy Dog, nominated at the WDHB Te Tohu Rangatira Health and Disability Awards, Friday, 6 September, 2019 under the Whakapapa and Whanaungatanga category. Although he didn't win his category, it was fabulous to showcase what this amazing boy does...he's already a winner in the eyes of his work family. Chy, Clinical Co-ordinator, CMH & A Services.

Proud owner is Rareyn

Kind regards Sandy





President's Report - Your Committee - Putting Faces To Names!

A warm hello to you all.

As we were together for our annual strategy meeting in August we took the opportunity to take this group photo for our December newsletter. After a long day discussing initiatives to pave the way forward for our organisation we enjoyed a few lighter moments wearing our Christmas adornments.

It's always nice to put a face to a name so here we are- Back row left to right are Dallas Hopkins, Rachel Butler, Beverley Jocelyn, David Verrinder, Leanne Gibson, Alison Law, Annette Dougherty, Sandy Fea and in the front row are myself, Sandy McAllen and Carolyn Williams.

As we approach the end of another year I wish to thank you and your dogs for being part of Canine Friends and bringing so much joy and happiness to people from all walks of life living in many different situations.

I wish you and your families a safe and Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2020.

Vicky Graham



The Canine Friends Christmas Spirit is definitely in full swing throughout the Country. Our Liaison Officers and Members are sharing their Christmas Cheer in the Resthomes, Schools, Universities and more. They have been invited to special functions in each of these places as well as organizing their own special get togethers.

It is very exciting for the National Committee Members to know that you are so appreciated by everyone and that you enjoy having a social get-together. So we say Thank You to the members who are attending and contributing to the success of each of these outings listed below and any others we do not know about plus all those wonderful canine friends who will individually spread the Christmas Spirit as they visit.

Manawatu Area incorporating Levin/Foxton, Central Hawkes Bay, Whanganui and Southern Taranaki Christmas get-together to be held on 30 November at Bulls Dog Obedience grounds, Bulls Domain.

4 December: Horowhenua invited us to join them on their Xmas visit to rest home Ultimate Madison in Levin.

9 December: Group Xmas rest home visit in Feilding – Ranfurly RCC, shared lunch in the park and Nelson Street RCC in the afternoon

19 December: small group to Palmerston North Childrens Ward for Christmas

21 December: Group Xmas rest home visit in Palmerston North

Bay of Plenty Christmas Party to be held on 8 December, 3 pm to 5 pm at Fergusson Park, Matua, Tauranga. Merina invites you all to share an Afternoon Tea and Janet Fosberry is making a Christmas Cake.

Auckland Faculty of Science, Symonds Street on 2 December. Nicole Wallace is organizing.

Auckland Special Children's Christmas Party, Greenlane on 14 December. Nicole Wallace is organizing.

Wellington Special Children's Christmas Party, on Saturday 30th November 2019 at Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua.

Rangiora—Gabriella Robertson our Events Co-Ordinator, is organising a group visit to Rangiora New Life School on 12th November as students have requested a doggie visit prior to their exams.

As an end of year social meeting Gabriella and I are also organising a **social walk on 24th November**. We plan a dog walk around the city with a coffee by the river. Regards Carol Milican

Please remember to send your lovely stories and photos to: editor@caninefriends.org.nz. It would be most helpful if you could attach the name of the dog, owner & person in the photo. Thanks Editor



Canine Friends Pet Therapy Committee as elected on 8th June, 2019

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In Memorium

We are very sad to announce that Graeme Aiken has advised that his gorgeous little Tuppence, a Bichon Friese, who visited at Cashmere Heights in Johnsonville has passed away. Tuppence made a huge contribution to the residents at Cashmere and she was a lovely Canine Friend. She was 14 years old and what a bundle of joy.

Julie has advised that Penny passed away on 16th August after a short illness. She was 1 week off turning 10 years old. Penny was a canine friend for seven years and has visited a number of Rest Homes and also the Rehab ward at Rotorua Hospital.

Kind Regards Julie Cowell, LO Rotorua



Committee Snippets

Our new Buddy System is well under way in some areas and is proving to be a success for some new members on their first visits. Christine is an experienced and valued volunteer in the Waikato area and is certainly enjoying her new role with Tui while her new canine friend, Billy Boy, is being trained. I have gone against our rules and have shown him without a scarf but be assured the next time you see his photo he will be a trained and assessed dog for visiting. Editor



Left is Billy Boy and Christine

Below is Tui our approved Buddy Dog



"Tomorrow I join Yvette and her Toby and Liz with MacDuff for 'Reading Buddies' at Hillcrest Primary School. Tui, the cute little Pug X Cav. King Charles Spaniel is newly approved as a 'Buddy Dog' and I will be her handler. I think it is so kind of Tui's owner, Mary Parker, to trust me with her dog.....sadly she is no longer able to visit due to her weak painful hip.

As you know it will be some time before my new dog Billy Boy is fit for the honourable role of 'Canine Friend Pet Therapy Dog'. He is progressing well, I adopted him just 5 weeks ago. Liz Scott, his 'Aunty Liz and Godmother' is a great help. I have not trained such a young dog since my Std Poodle Drew in 1997.....Rosie and Ted came to me already trained".

Best regards, Christine Johnson

Lovely photo of Bev Hyde's Alfie - the Waikato group were invited to an Animal Blessing on Sunday, 6 October. Alfie also celebrated his second birthday at the Church Blessing in Hamilton

Kind Regards, Vicky Graham

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Sandy and her Family



We moved to Whanganui the Summer of 2017 for my husband to take up a new position. Having left the business in Auckland behind, I now had time to focus on one of my greatest passions. Dogs. I've always thought there must be a dog-loving gene. When I was little, I used to throw coins into every wishing well I came across hoping my parents would buy me a puppy and here I am now, with our three wonderful dogs and loving the role of Liaison Officer and National Committee member for Canine Friends Pet Therapy Dogs. How we came to have our own unique menagerie is a bit of a story.

That dog-loving gene crept up on me when I was married with a family. I remember going to the SPCA one day, with our two young daughters, to look for a 'guard' dog and sure enough there she was. Our little Lucky. Seven weeks old, found in a sack by the Waikato River and told by their father to drown her or he would shoot her... Fifteen years later she is still snoring by my side.

And then there's Vera – our beautiful Yellow Labrador. A 'change-of-career' guide dog who we puppy raised but whose anxious nature meant she was not accepted onto the Guide Dog programme. However, it was one of our happiest days when she was formally adopted into our family. She turned ten this year.

And number three is Abbot. A 38kg, dark Golden Retriever. Born on the 22 June 2012 at the Blind Foundation Breeding Centre in Auckland. He was in training to be a Guide Dog and was quickly selected to be one of their Stud Dogs. Honestly, we just fell in love with him at first sight. He would come to school with my husband and I and sleep the day away either in my husband's office or my classroom – much to the delight of students.

I was terrified one morning when I noticed an unusual bump on his rear right leg. This was a Mast Cell Tumour which had to be removed and meant that Abbot could no longer be a sire for the Blind Foundation. He was castrated in April, 2018 and formally adopted by us.

It was really hard to see our beautiful boy, who had been used to accompanying us wherever we went, no longer able to put on the red Guide Dog jacket. One morning, he took it upon himself to lead me to the local dairy. He loved destination walks. However, he looked so forlorn on having to be left outside that I asked the dairy owner if he could come in with me. The young girl kindly obliged and he proudly walked around the aisles and went up to her afterwards for a pat. I just had to find a new and equally important job, for Abbot now that he was no longer a stud dog for the Blind Foundation.

I remember seeing a picture of two beautiful Canine Friend Pet Therapy Dogs in the local paper, showcasing the wonderful work they did at a rest home in Whanganui. I decided to contact the Organisation and see if they would accept Abbot, allowing him to visit the local rest homes, hospital wards and hospices. On his first visit to the Jane Winstone Rest Home, I saw again his lovely, gentle nature touching every one he came into contact with. One lovely gentleman, so much so, he followed us all around the rest home!

And now, we are both indeed blessed to be a part of the wonderful Canine Friends Pet Therapy Dogs' Family. While Lucky is too frail and Vera is too anxious to visit, they enjoy hearing Abbot's tales and meeting the other wonderful canine community in Whanganui.

There have been many memorable moments for our Canine Friends over the past few months:- Founder's Day, on Saturday, 18 May, 2019, established to celebrate Eileen Curry who set up Canine Friends Pet Therapy Dogs over 30 years ago; the Quality Health Awards Evening, Friday, 6 September where Prince Caspian (Cass) was accepted as a finalist for his services as a Canine Friend at Whanganui Hospital and UCOL (Whanganui) 'stress less' week, Wednesday, 21 September, 2019, where we received our first invitation to bring our dogs along to provide students with the comforting experience of patting a friendly dog.

Along with these have been the monthly get-togethers with the volunteers and their canines at the Mud Ducks Café. I feel very privileged to be part of such a friendly and committed group of people and dogs.

Visiting the University College of Learning in Whanganui



Toby



Gypsy



Spotty



Abbott & More enjoying a coffee break at the Mud Cafe

Out and about in Whanganui at the Jane Winstone Home



Shirley with Abbott & friends



Penny with Abbott



Daune with Abbott

Manawatu Area—On Wednesday 23 October another group visited the Freyberg High School Library in Palmerston North

We received a lovely email from Ann Evans to say she and her members from the **Manawatu Area** had attended, on the same day, a visit to **UCOL (Universal College of Learning)** in Palmerston North plus the **Freyberg High School** who held a Mufti day and a Dog Walk. The Freyberg School were so thrilled with the attention from Ann's members during the year that they donated the proceeds of the day to Canine Friends Pet Therapy.

Ann said that they were so busy but had a brilliant day and they called it their 'Wonderous Wednesday'.
How good is that? Editor

We then gathered for a warm lunch inside the cafe. The dogs and stars of the day all slept in the cars quite happy after a great morning out as although this cafe is dog friendly their owners opted for the inside seating thus dogs only allowed outside.

In the evening which could have been a fabulous evening walk with our dogs turned into a wintry blast but 8 Canine Friends with well rugged up owners were there as a thank you gesture. This is a lovely stroll with your dog along the river and over the newly opened walkway bridge, a very used facility in the city.

Thanks to Kaye, my other LO, who took the Freyberg call while I concentrated on our other visit to UCOL students.

Cheers Ann Evans



Freyberg Group taking the dog walk



Ed enjoying a pat



Zara & Mocha arrive in style



Blue

Canines help students relax during stress-less study week

A great article in the Manawatu Standard thanking Ann and her Volunteers for taking the time to mingle and talk to the Students. Editor

Our Canine Friends Out & About

Palmerston North

Kaye Harkness took her two girls out for trick & treating at the Hospital and they received lots of pats & cuddles from the Patients & Staff.



Feilding—Nelson Residential Care Centre

This adorable photo was taken of Ruby giving love & kisses to Hazel Roberts when visiting the Home. Kind regards Marilyn Brackley



Clive—Voguehaven Resthome

Angus and his Mum, Lynne Harrison, on their first visit to the Resthome. Angus was an instant hit and enjoyed all his cuddles and kisses! Regards Chris Partridge



Blenheim—NZ Dogs Blackhawk National Dog Show in October, 2019—Thank You from the Committee

Steven Thompson thanked Canine Friends for supporting their Show with a stand and the presence of our dogs. Wendy Reynolds was responsible for organizing the stand and rostering members with their dogs and she did a fantastic job. Margaret Scaife, LO from Nelson, also joined her for the three days.. Wendy was competing in the Agility classes so had a very busy few days.



Canine Friends Community Contact Week 2019 - Lower Hutt

I met the 4 medical students who were participating in their Community Contact week at Caffiend in Petone. We had a good discussion about Canine Friends Pet Therapy and also about volunteering in general. They asked lots of questions and they all seem to enjoy meeting my two year old Black Russian, Zoe and the discussion.

The Students with Zoe from left were Hannah Lochore, Renee Topeta, Isabella Mellis & Phoebe van Boheemen.

Cheers Brenda Kenworthy.

Thank you Brenda and the support given by our Members is so varied and important. Editor



Zoe can just be seen by the table

Our Canine Friends Out & About

Bainlea House—Rangiora

Hi thought you might like a few pics showing how Ollie lights up the days and lives of our residents at Bainlea House (a dementia rest home) in Rangiora.

Our folk look forward to wee Ollie's visits now and Ollie enjoys the interaction too, with lots of cuddles and pats!!

Wendy Worters , Divisional Therapist
Bainlea House , Rangiora.



Oncology Clinic in Christchurch Hospital

We have visited for 3 weeks now on Tuesdays from 10-11am and it is going really well. Everyone loves Briar greatly (many of the staff want to take her home) and they all can't believe how placid, quiet and cuddly she is. We see everyone at the Oncology Clinic waiting room and then do a circuit of the downstairs Radiotherapy waiting rooms and the staff rooms and then stay back up at the Medical Oncology waiting room for the rest of the time. They put up a photo and notice at reception saying that Briar is coming today and for people to let the receptionist know if they have a problem with this but no one has so far.

She is certainly tired by the end of the hour and her eyes say "I'm over cuddles and being nice" and is happy to go for coffee or home and have a rest.

We are loving doing this and enjoying the smiles she creates and listening to the stories we get too. I believe another couple bring in two dogs on Wednesdays and I think Kuri take dogs to Radiation Oncology too.

Cheers Jan

Lois Lang from Christchurch replied to Jan "thank you so much for all you are doing, it is a fantastic service of kindness and the hospital is so lucky to have you". We all agree. Editor

Good fortune brings furry friend to Oncology patients

Each Tuesday morning patients and staff at the Oncology Outpatient department in Christchurch Hospital are treated to a visit from Canine Friends, a volunteer organisation that provides pet therapy to rest homes, hospital wards or hospices. The visits are thanks to Registered Nurse Jen Sutherland (pictured) who made contact with Canine Friend.

Volunteer Jan Fortune and her trusty companion Briar, an Airedale Terrier, come in and spend time in the waiting room, meeting patients and providing them with some comfort and distraction.

Medical Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist Bronwyn Perry says Canine Friends have only been coming for about a month, but it's made a noticeable change to the department.

"Briar has been well-received by patients and staff and everyone now looks forward to her and Jan's weekly visits."



Volunteer Jan Fortune and her dog Briar brighten up Tuesday mornings for patients and staff alike

Lara Lodge—Rotorua

This is the photo of Sunny giving Morag a kiss when he saw her not long after her husband had passed away. Sunny is not a "licker" so it was a very special moment for Morag who just loves dogs. He just seemed to know that she need a bit of comforting.

Lara Lodge is a Retirement Home and does not have a hospital wing. It is a small home with approximately 20 residents who all like dogs so Sunny is very busy when he visits.
Kind Regards Julie Cowell



Tessa's visit to Hillmorton

Tessa enjoyed her first visit to Hillmorton. We stayed just under an hour and lots of people came to pat her and she enjoyed it. She's a bit tired now & having a rest. Second visit and she pranced all the way up the path to the door. She was so excited to be meeting the people. Thanks Faye Thompson



New Recruit visiting St. John's Wood, Taupo

Bracken, very relaxed with resident, Carol and enjoying a pat.

Bracken is a lovely gentle dog owned by Elisabeth Cato in Taupo.

Regards
Vicky Graham





Our beautiful dogs Out & About

On June 19 a small group of members from the **Manawatu area** made an inaugural visit to UCOL Library in Palmerston North. It was very well received and the staff were very excited about us being there and they are already organising another visit which will include staff as well especially as part of their Well-Being Programme. Thank you to all members who attended. Ann Evans and Kaye Harkness, Liaison Officers for Manawatu

On Saturday 9 November the **Manawatu Canine Friends** were at the Manawatu A&P Show at Manfield, Feilding. During the day 15 dogs enjoyed the attention of the public. Invited to tag along with the Feilding Dog Training Club we also participated in some of their exercises plus had our time in their ring explaining to all the basics of what we do. We also hung photos of canine friends doing what they do well along their fence for all to see as they passed by and also some helped demonstrate Canine Good Citizen Skills as well. Cheers Ann

Manawatu A & P Show Manfield—dogs attending



Peri, Sophie, Thumpa, Ziggy, Artie Bliss & Izzy



Demonstration lap



Dodge enjoying lots of pats



Ziggy enjoying the attention



Izzy loving her ice cream



Sophie & Thumpa relaxing

Manawatu visiting University College of Learning in Palmerston North



Murphy, Izzy & Panda



Dexter



Thumpa with Mel

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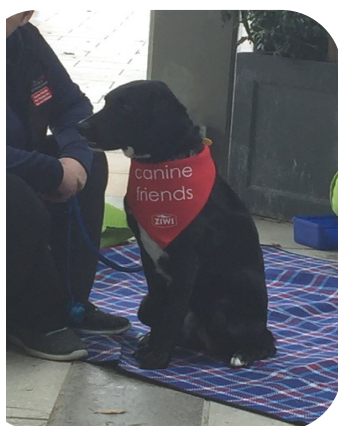
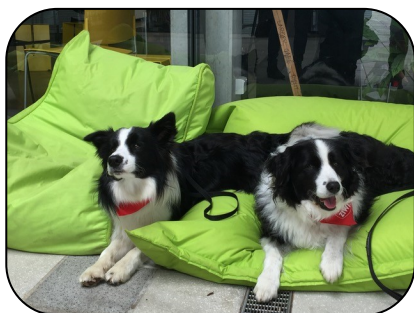
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An Auckland Group Visit to Massey University by members which was organized by Nicole Wallace

On behalf of Nicole, my report on last Thursday group visit at Albany AUT. Always a good venue, relaxing, spacious, well sheltered and everyone had an enjoyable time. This was my 13m old BC, Jamie's, debut for group work and he coped really well. We had a good volunteer group of:

Nicole Wallace with Labrador, Daisy
Emma Fairhall with Husky, Indy
Sam Kean with Lab/Collie X, Whittaker
Deborah Duggan with GSD, Phoebe
Rachel Butler with BCs, Lucas and Jamie

Rachel Butler, LO Auckland



Auckland University Wellesley Street visit

Wellesley street visit was pretty low key, we weren't met by any representative on arrival just directed to the area. Wasn't a major though. We were next to the food tent and had to smell bacon sandwiches ??

Once again, a huge thank you for Nicole, Chris and Sam for constantly being available to attend these Uni events. You guys go above and beyond :-)

Rachel Butler



Visiting at the Lions Cancer Lodge in Hamilton

A delightful photo of Oscar the Canine Therapy dog visiting the lovely Alice at the Lions Cancer Lodge in Hamilton. Oscar is an 8 year old miniature Schnauser who has been bringing miles of smiles to everyone at the Cancer Lodge in Hamilton for over 3 years. Cheers Debbie Stramge



Totara hospice
Living Every Moment

Hi Rachel,

From all of us here at Totara Hospice and the Fundraising team, we would like to thank you for supporting our 'Living Every Moment' event last Tuesday. The dogs were a hit and I think shined a bit of light into the day for our guests. So, thank you again for taking the time out to visit us. We really appreciated it.

Have a great week. Regards Jo Davis, Events Co-Ordinator, Manurewa, Auckland.



Still out & about in Auckland with their wonderful, enthusiastic members

Auckland University Library—11 October

Awesome visit today, we ended up across the road from Auckland University Library at The Quad, a covered paved outside area, with bean bags.

Lots of very happy students; I love it when a group of students turn up that haven't seen the memo about our visit and all you hear as they arrive is 'Oh my God, Dogs!!!!'. Lots of heart melting moments, a few students scared of dogs overcoming their fears, lots of selfies, snapshots. One of the students posted on Instagram that we were there and a Ziwi representative turned up with a bag of food for each dog. The students were asking us when will we be back. Ended up staying 1 1/2hrs; dogs didn't seem too phased and it went by really quickly. It took us another 10 minutes to get out to the street with all the students waiting to vote stopping us to have a pat.

Awesome response from the students and Pip, Susie and I had an absolute blast. Emma gave us prepaid parking tickets to get out of the parking building for free. All in all a great day 😊 Sam

Thank you Ziwi for your generous thoughts and sponsorship. Editor



Northern Health School presentation/visit Auckland

A small group of us visited the Health School and I gave a presentation. Once again, the talk/powerpoint/volunteers/dogs went down very well. I'm starting to get the hang of this now. It helps when you have a precedent and I just needed to change the dogs :-). Helping me were:

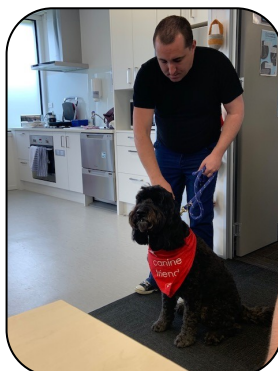
Myself with Lucas (Border Collie); Tim with Opie (Golden Retriever X Poodle); Natalie with Bleidd ("Blade") (Husky X Samoyed); Nicole with Ned (Cavalier King Charles Spaniel X Poodle). They loved the presentation and our dogs and would like us to visit on a regular basis. This will be organized in due course. Regards Rachel Butler LO Auckland.



Nicole & Ned, Rachel & Lucas, Natalie & Bleidd



Bleidd & Holly



Tim & Opie



Rachel & Lucas



Ned

We wish to welcome **Mady Bensdorp to the Christchurch region**. Mady has very kindly offered to assess new applicants in Ashburton and together with Rachelle Baker, arrange placements.

Regards Vicky.

Our New Members who joined from 19 August, 2019 to 20 November, 2019
We wish you all a very long and happy association with Canine Friends Pet Therapy



Number of members in each Area in month of October. (Brackets September)

Auckland 131 (134)
 Christchurch 130 (130)
 Waikato 65 (61)
 Tauranga + Hospital 62 (62)
 Wellington 48 (46)
 Manawatu 46 (42)
 Whitby to Johnsonville 41 (40)
 Lower Hutt 37 (37)
 Hastings 33 (31)
 Kapiti 31 (34)
 Nelson/Tasman 24 (21)
 Rotorua 21 (21)
 Napier 21 (19)
 Northland 20 (20)
 Taranaki 20 (18)
 Queenstown 19 (18)
 Taupo 17 (18)
 Foxton/Levin 17 (16)
 Blenheim 17 (7)
 Upper Hutt 16 (17)
 Whanganui 16 (16)
 Invercargill/Southland 14 (13)
 Otago 12 (11)
 Oamaru 11 (11)
 Wairarapa 11 (11)
 Whakatane 7 (7)
 Gisborne 3 (3)
 Far North 2 (2)
 Westport 2 (2)
 Wanaka 1 (1)
Total 895 (853)

Auckland

Sarah Atkinson & Roxie, Fox Terrier
 Corrie Dark & Baxter, Labradoodle
 Kerry Johnson & Pip, Springer Spaniel
 Richard Mathers & Brandy, Golden Retriever/Border Collie X
 Charmaine McGillan & Herbie, Bearded Collie x Springer Spaniel
 Kathy McIlwain & Paris, Pug/Chihuahua
 Caroline Pearce & Harvey, Retrodoodler
 Megan Story & Luna, Cavoodle

Christchurch

Natalie Buchanan & Alfie, Miniature Schnauzer
 Robyn Cliff & Fern, Huntaway X
 Cheryl Davies & Betty, Bichon/Jack Russell
 Jayne Gough & Sally, Beagle
 Leeann Leadbetter & Nico (Kelpie Cross) & Skip (Schipperke)
 Laura Marks & Chevy, Bullmastiff X
 Gabriella and Adam Robertson & Murphy, Rough Coat Collie X Blue Heeler
 Sarah Ward & Millie, Fox Terrier

Far North

Zahra Hendy & Flynn, Whippet Cross

Foxton/Levin

Anne and Dennis Bevin & Vegas, Samoyed

Hastings

Tina Gunson & Lilly (Miniature Fox Terrier) & Tip (Collie)
 Mark Kernan & Lucca, Maremmano Abbruzzese
 Deb Lee & Jackie Chan, German Spitz
 Zelda MacKenzie & Shadow, Spoodle
 Amanda Rossiter & Ched, Greyhound X Huntaway

Invercargill & Southland

Molly Butt & Ellie, Leonberger
 Mary McKay & Jenny, Golden Retriever

Kapiti Coast

Coll Doyle and Sue Martin & Saffy, Schnoodle

Lower Hutt

Penny Baxter & Minty, Westie X Toy Poodle
 Liz Lander & Olive, Labradoodle



Manawatu

Les Davis & Jax, Foxy
 Athena Irvine & Blue, Blue Heeler/Border Collie Cross
 Heidi Lehmann & Ziggy, Huntaway
 Micah and Theo Puklowski, Purebred Labrador

Nelson-Tasman

Christine Clark & Jack, Golden Retriever

Northland

James Hilford and Kirtsy Bromley & Arohanui, Miniature Schnauzer

Otago

Sarah Davison & Brinkley, Labrador
 Michelle Johnson & Charli, Jack Russell X

Queenstown

Merran Kavanagh & Benson, LabX

Rotorua

Megan Wheeler & Louie, Cattle dog Cross

Taranaki

John Ekdahl & Kaz, Huntaway
 Belinda Wilson & Bella, Swiss Shepherd

Tauranga

Lauren Allen & Lily, Griffon/Chihuahua
 Isabella Obermiller & Keeper, Huntaway
 Rebecca Verster & Bernie, Labradoodle

Upper Hutt

Anne Hardwick & Nyota, Yorkshire Terrier

Waikato

Mary Ivory & Coco, Greyhound
 Monique MacGregor & Mumbles, Miniature Labradoodle
 Niki Messervy & Bentley, Golden Retriever
 Janine Morrison & Ruby, Miniature Schnauzer
 Susan & Celine Speedy & Timmy, Chihuahua

Wellington

Kat Begg & Tahlullah, Cocker Spaniel
 Fleur Francois and Ross Barr & Pixie, Pug
 Rachel Kan & Arya, Spoodle
 Dairne Poole & Willow (Golden Retriever) & Bear (Labrador/Husky X)
 Tim Richards & Otto McSlinky, White Swiss Shepherd

Whanganui

Hannah Li & Moremore, Chihuahua

Whitby to Johnsonville

Liz Andrews & Boyd, Golden Retriever
 Ken Chandler & Max, Miniature Schnauzer
 Sarah Thompson & Jax, Labrador



From Hannah Smith Walker, our new Placement Officer in Christchurch during her visit to Wesley Care Home.
 Regards Vicky Graham



Ellie visiting Burwood Hospital in Christchurch

Our new member, Shannon McGarry and her dog Ellie an 7 year old Spoodle have been visiting regularly at Burwood Hospital but a few weeks ago Shannon's mother was admitted very ill with a stroke.

Shannon and Ellie are now helping with the exercises given by physiotherapist team and Shannon has sent this lovely photo showing how Ellie is making a huge difference to the recovery process.

Kind regards Carol Millican,
 LO Christchurch

Thank you and we wish your Mother a speedy recovery. Editor

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AIR-DRIED FOR SUPERIOR NUTRITION

Ziwi is proud to present our new free-range chicken recipes for dogs and cats. With chicken being the favourite pet food flavour globally, Ziwi has wanted to create a chicken range for many years. However we wouldn't do it until we could source chickens that were 100% free-range and from ethical and audited New Zealand suppliers. With the steady rise in local free-range production, this has now become possible. Like all of our air-dried recipes; Ziwi free-range chicken does not use glycerin, yield enhancers, fillers, or sweeteners.

